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	France-Algeria: The communiqué issued after the close of the rebel National Revolutionary Council meeting on 28 Feb-	
	ruary authorizes continuance of negotiations with the French and implies that the provisional Algerian government (PAG) is	
	now authorized to conclude a cease-fire agreement if the re- newed negotiations are satisfactorily concluded. No date has	
	been announced for a resumption of negotiations, however, and should they be protracted beyond the few days reportedly envis-	
	aged by Paris, chances for a negotiated settlement would be jeopardized. If public order continues to deteriorate in the Algerian cities, De Gaulle might feel compelled to take unilat-	
25X1	eral action. Moreover, the PAG might be unable to restrain the Moslem population from massive retaliatory attacks on	
25X1	Europeans. OAS terrorism and lawlessness have already created an atmosphere in which implementation of any settlement	25X1
	will be difficult. the rebels will not agree to a cease-fire until De	25X1
	Gaulle takes effective measures against anti-Moslem activities of the OAS.	
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	USSR-Cuba: The visit to Cuba beginning on 25 February by the head of the Soviet State Bank probably is intended to alleviate some of the more acute problems facing the Castro	
	regime as a result of the US embargo, increasing domestic economic difficulties, and an expected decline in the island's	
	1962 sugar production. While there have been rumors that a new Soviet credit is to be offered, banking officials would not	
	normally negotiate such an agreement. The main topic for discussion may be Cuban banking relations with the entire Soviet bloc, in particular the system of multilateral payments	
	whereby the income from part of Cuba's sugar exports to the USSR is used to help compensate for European satellite ex-	25X1
	ports to Cuba. Increased use of this system may be necessary because sugar exports to the satellites will apparently be reduced this warm. Magazin may also be willing to increase its	25X1
	duced this year. Moscow may also be willing to increase its convertible currency payments for imports from Cuba.	20/(1
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25X1	*Britain - Northern Rhodesia: The British constitutional proposals for Northern Rhodesia which were announced on 28 February do not appear to meet what moderate African nation-	
	alist Kenneth Kaunda has called his "minimum demands," and his first reaction to them was negative. If Kaunda holds to his initial assessment, he will have difficulty forestalling violent reactions from his more radical followers.	25X1
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25X1	Venezuela: (The Venezuelan Communist party (PCV) is reported to be intensifying training of paramilitary units in preparation for new violence against President Betancourt's regime sometime after Congress convenes on 2 March. The	
	party is reportedly so deeply split, however, that effective action seems unlikely. The government is aware of PCV activities and can be expected to take strong measures to deal	25X1
25X1	with them?	
25X1	Brazil: Governor Brizola of the Brazilian state of Rio Grande do Sul on 27 February advocated the expropriation of all foreign enterprises in Brazil, including banks. He announced preparations for seizing a Rio Grande do Sul subsidiary of the American-owned Electric Bond and Share Corporation. The government took over a subsidiary of International Telephone and Telegraph earlier this month. The governor may be timing these moves to embarrass his political rival and brother-in-law, President Joao Goulart, prior to Goulart's visit to the United States on 3 April.	25X1
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WATCH COMMITTEE CONCLUSIONS

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On the basis of findings by its Watch Committee, the United States Intelligence Board concludes that:

No Sino-Soviet bloc country intends deliberately to initiate direct military action in the immediate future.

BERLIN: Soviet probing tactics against Allied access to Berlin will probably continue, but bloc military activity in general suggests that the Communists do not expect their actions to provoke military confrontation in the immediate future.

LAOS: Communist military actions will probably continue at a relatively low level, pending the outcome of Souvanna's talks with Souphannouvong. If Souvanna and Souphannouvong reach agreement on a cabinet, continued RLG opposition could lead to a significant step-up in military activities.

SOUTH VIETNAM: The increased rate of Viet Cong incidents in the past week and growing bloc criticism of US military assistance to South Vietnam may presage a general step-up in the level of Viet Cong activities, especially in the countryside. It is not yet clear whether the air attack on Diem's palace on 27 February was an isolated act by officers disaffected with the Diem regime or whether it was part of a broader coup plot, but there is no evidence of widespread complicity. The Viet Cong apparently were not connected with the planning for this attack.

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British	Proposals	for	Northern	Rhodesian	Constitution
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The British constitutional proposals are designed to produce a slim African majority in the 45-member Northern Rhodesian legislature. African nationalists, however, might find their votes balanced by those of whites and African conservatives.

Prime Minister Welensky of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, speaking in London, has implied that he would use force to prevent the accession to power of Northern Rhodesian "extremists." He is unlikely to hold to his threats, however, if only because such action would violate agreements between Britain and the Federation. At the same time, if Kaunda and his followers accept the new constitution and an African government seems imminent in Northern Rhodesia, Europeans in white-dominated Southern Rhodesia are likely to be increasingly opposed to a continuation of the Federation in its present forman opposition in which they will be joined by Africans in the northern territories of Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia. The long-adjourned talks on the federal constitution thus may be reopened this spring.

The British Government's decision will evoke sharp opposition from the several score Conservative back-benchers most sympathetic to Welensky's view, and touch off a bitter debate. However, the government, with the cabinet solidly behind the change and with a 100-seat majority in the House of Commons, may be expected to see the change through and try to revise the constitution of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland in recognition of African hostility toward the present one?

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Governor of Brazilian State of Rio Grande do Sul Promises New Expropriations

In advocating widespread expropriations on 27 February, Governor Leonel Brizola said that his state government is preparing to expropriate the electric company in the southern Rio Grande do Sul town of Pelotas. In May 1959 he took over his state's subsidiary of American and Foreign Power Company.

On 28 February, 4,000 peasants were reported marching on the southern part of the state prepared to seize land, with backing expected from Brizola. In late January the governor expropriated two tracts of land which had been seized by squatters—50,000 acres belonging to an Uruguayan company and 150,000 acres owned in large part by the state.

Brizola's term as governor expires next January, and he apparently is seeking to add to his national political reputation in preparation for a bid for national office. Foreign ownership of utilities and banks is unpopular with most Brazilians. Brizola would apparently like to supplant President Goulart as head of the Brazilian Labor party. He believes that Goulart did not reward him sufficiently for his support last August when Goulart's succession to the presidency was threatened.

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